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GENEVA FOR AMBASSADOR FISHER

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, UNGA

SUBJECT: SSOD FOLLOW ON: SELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS FOR
DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE (DC)

1. UKUN MISOFF FULLER, ACTING UPON INSTRUCTIONS FROM LONDON, CALLED ON MISOFF JULY 5 TO FIND OUT OUR VIEWS ON HOW CONSULTATIONS FOR THE SELECTION OF THE 5-8 NEW MEMBERS OF THE DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE (DC) SHOULD PROCEED. FULLER SAID HE ANTICIPATED A MEETING OF THE WESTERN EUROPE AND OTHERS GROUP (WEOG) ON JULY 6 OR 7, AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THE US AND UK REPS WOULD HAVE COORDINATED POSITIONS ON THIS SUBJECT AT THAT MEETING.

2. FULLER RECALLED THAT UNGA PRESIDENT MOJSOV HELD CONSULTATIONS WITH THE CHAIRMEN OF THE REGIONAL GROUPS ON JUNE 30 AT WHICH HE TOLD THEM HIS IMPRESSION THAT THE FOUR NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATES WOULD HOLD CONSULTATIONS AMONG
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THEMSELVES OVER THE SUMMER RE THE SELECTION OF THE NEW MEMBERS. AT A HASTILY SUMMONED MEETING OF THE WEOG GROUP THE SAME EVENING, UK REP STATED THAT THE SELECTION PROCESS WOULD NOT BE CONFINED ONLY TO THE FOUR NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATES, BUT THAT NO DECISION HAD BEEN REACHED ON HOW THESE CONSULTATIONS WOULD ACTUALLY TAKE PLACE.

3. UK PREFERENCE, FULLER CONTINUED, IS TO CONDUCT CONSULTATIONS AMONG UK, US AND SOVIET CCD REPS IN GENEVA, THEN TO FORM A CONTACT GROUP WITH SELECTED NON-ALIGNED CCD REPS IN GENEVA AND FINALLY TO INFORM MOJSOV OF THE RESULTS OF THESE CONSULTATIONS. UK WANTS TO AVOID EXTENDED DISCUSSION OF THE MEMBERSHIP ISSUE IN NEW YORK WITHIN THE REGIONAL GROUPS INTER ALIA SINCE THIS WILL IMMEDIATELY RAISE THE QUESTION OF ADDITIONAL EASTERN EUROPEAN PARTICIPATION. FULLER ADDED THAT FRENCH UN MISSION HAS RECOMMENDED TO PARIS THAT THEY SHOULD NOT RAISE ANY DIFFICULTIES ABOUT THREE POWER CONSULTATIONS IN GENEVA, AND WAS AWAITING A REPLY.

4. MISOFF TOLD FULLER THAT WASHINGTON HAD NOT YET PROVIDED ANY GUIDANCE ON US APPROACH TO THESE CONSULTATIONS BUT THAT HE WOULD SEEK DEPARTMENT VIEWS AND REPORT THE UK RECOMMENDATIONS NOTED ABOVE.

ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE FOR REPLY TO UKUN AND FOR POSSIBLE WEOG MEETING LATER THIS WEEK. LEONARD

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